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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Phillips et al.

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Examiner: Etsub D. Berhanu

Title: OPTICAL FIBRE CATHETER PULSE OXIMETER

<u>REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111</u>

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of September 24, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 24, 2008, and extended by a one month extension to March 24, 2009 by the petition and fee filed herewith, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.